

**COMBINED CIP DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which

  x   is attached hereto.

       was filed on        as Application No.         
and was amended on         
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which states in relevant part: "Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section....The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§ 1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98."

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate as indicated below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Applfction(s):

Priority Claimed

<u>      </u> (Number)	<u>      </u> (Country)	<u>      </u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>      </u> Yes	<u>      </u> No
<u>      </u> (Number)	<u>      </u> (Country)	<u>      </u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>      </u> Yes	<u>      </u> No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as this is a continuation-in-part application filed under the

conditions set forth in 35 United States Code, §120, which discloses and claims subject matter in addition to the prior copending application(s) listed below, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent Office all information known to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

60/036,299                      March 12, 1997                      \_\_\_\_\_  
(Application Serial No.)      (Filing Date)                      (Patented, Pending, Abandoned)

I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to file, prosecute and to transact all business in connection with international applications directed to said invention:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code, §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE TO EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.71 WITH REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS**

The undersigned ASSIGNEE of the entire interest in application for letters patent serial number 09/037,659, filed on March 10, 1998 hereby appoints the following attorneys of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati:

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and all Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati attorneys registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith and hereby revokes all prior powers of attorney; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventors and the inventors' attorneys in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

The following evidentiary documents establish a chain of title from the original owner to the Assignee:

X a copy of an Assignment attached hereto, which Assignment has been (or is herewith) forwarded to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording; or

— the Assignment recorded on \_\_\_\_\_ at reel \_\_\_, frames \_\_\_ - \_\_\_.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) the undersigned Assignee hereby states that evidentiary documents have been reviewed and hereby certifies that, to the best of ASSIGNEE's knowledge and belief, title is in the identified ASSIGNEE.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Stuart D. Edwards et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE OF ENTIRE INTEREST  
(REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS)

As assignee of record of the entire interest of the above identified application,

REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS OF ATTORNEY

all powers of attorney previously given are hereby revoked and

NEW POWER OF ATTORNEY

the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) are hereby appointed to prosecute and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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- [ ] Attached, as part of this power of attorney, is the authorization of the above named attorney(s) to accept and follow instructions from my representative(s).

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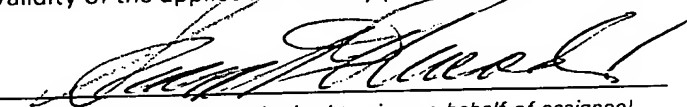
**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

[ x ] In accordance with 37 CFR 3.73, I have reviewed the evidentiary documents establishing my/our ownership of the application identified herein, and certify that to the best of my/our knowledge and belief, title is with me/us who seek to take action.

I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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10/11/99

  
(Signature of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee)

Stuart D. Edwards

(type or print name of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee)

Title: President

NOTE: The assignee of the entire interest may revoke previous powers and be represented by an attorney of his or her selection. 37 CFR 1.36.